

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

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ALL COUNTY INFORMATION NOTICE NO. I-60-91

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS

The purpose of this notice is to inform you of a public service announcement sent by "La Cooperativa Campesina de California" (LCCC) to various community based organizations throughout the State. The LCCC is an organization contracted by the State Health and Welfare Agency to provide Immigration Reform and Control Act outreach services to Eligible Legalized Aliens (ELAs). The announcement alerts aliens, which includes ELAs, who are experiencing economic hardships as a result of the recent California crop freeze, to apply for disaster related emergency relief, allowable public assistance and for unemployment benefits.

This announcement is a result of the Immigration and Naturalization Services' (INS) policy decision that aliens, including both Pre-82s and Seasonal Agricultural Workers (SAWs), who apply for assistance due to the hardships caused by the crop freeze, will not jeopardize their legalization status.

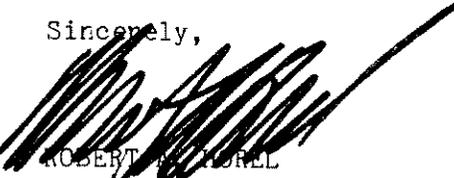
It would be noted that ELAs would still have to be eligible for these services regarding income and family composition. Also note that the only aliens with lawful resident status who would be eligible for food stamps are the SAWs and the Replishment Agricultural Workers (RAWs).

Since the County Welfare Departments provide public assistance services to ELAs, we are requesting that the attached announcement be posted for the ELAs' information. Your cooperation in this matter is appreciated.

If you have any questions about the flyer, please contact Bill Bennett of the LCCC at (916) 442-4791.

If you need further information regarding the information above, please direct your call to Mr. Tom Lee, Immigration Unit Manager at (916) 324-0097 or ATSS 454-0097.

Sincerely,



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Deputy Director  
Welfare Program

Attachment

**Important Information**

# Farmworkers Qualify For Services

for California

Thousands of people are out of work now, because of the freeze and crop failures. If you are out of work you may qualify for food stamps, unemployment insurance, and other assistance.

## PEOPLE WHO APPLIED FOR AMNESTY

1. Do you have your second or last card (it has a GREEN STRIPE and says LAWFUL TEMPORARY RESIDENT)?

If you have second or last card you are eligible for most kinds of benefits:

- food stamps for you and your children born here
- Women and Infant Care (WIC)
- unemployment insurance
- general assistance
- emergency help because of the freeze
- some medical help, especially for children and pregnant women and in case of emergency

Accepting these benefits will not hurt your amnesty case.

2. Do you just have your first card (it has a RED STRIPE and says EMPLOYMENT AUTHORIZATION)?

If you just have your first card you are eligible for some benefits:

- unemployment insurance
- Women and Infant Care (WIC)
- general assistance in some counties
- welfare (AFDC) for your children born here
- emergency help because of the freeze
- some medical help, specially for children or pregnant women and in case of emergency

Accepting most of these benefits will not hurt your amnesty case. But, to be sure, you should accept General Assistance for a short time only.

## FOR PEOPLE WHO DO NOT HAVE LEGAL RESIDENCY

Even if you are here without documents, you may be eligible for:

- emergency help because of the freeze
- Women and Infant Care (WIC)
- some medical help, especially for children or pregnant women and in case of emergency
- AFDC and food stamps for your children born here

For further information call the California Rural Legal Assistance Foundation: 1/800-553-4503.

**Información Importante****Campesinos Califican Para Recibir Servicios  
para California**

Miles de campesinos están sin trabajo en este momento debido a la helada y la mala cosecha. Si usted está sin trabajo podría calificar para estampillas de comida, seguro de desempleo, y otros servicios de asistencia pública.

**PERSONAS QUE APLICARON PARA LA AMNISTIA (por el campo)**

1. ¿Tiene su segunda tarjeta (tiene una FRANJA VERDE y dice 'LAWFUL TEMPORARY RESIDENT')?

Si tiene su segunda o última mica es elegible para la mayoría de beneficios:

- estampillas de comida para Ud. y sus hijos nacidos aquí
- suplementos de alimentación para mujeres embarazadas, que recién han tenido bebe, e infantes (WIC)
- desempleo
- asistencia general
- "Welfare" (AFDC) para sus hijos nacidos aquí
- ayuda de emergencia por la helada
- ayuda médica, especialmente para niños y mujeres embarazadas, y para casos de emergencia

Aceptar estos tipos de ayuda NO dañará su caso de legalización.

2. ¿Tiene únicamente la primera tarjeta, PERMISO PARA TRABAJAR, (tiene una FRANJA ROJA y dice "EMPLOYMENT AUTHORIZATION")?

Si tiene únicamente la primera tarjeta, aún así es elegible para ciertos beneficios:

- desempleo
- suplementos de alimentación para mujeres embarazadas, que recién han tenido bebe, e infantes (WIC)
- asistencia general en algunos condados
- "Welfare" (AFDC) para sus hijos nacidos aquí
- ayuda de emergencia por la helada
- ayuda médica, especialmente para niños y mujeres embarazadas, y para casos de emergencia

Aceptar la mayoría de estos tipos de beneficios NO dañará su caso de legalización. Pero para estar seguro, sólo debe pedir Asistencia General por un periodo corto.

**PERSONAS QUE NO TIENEN PAPELES**

Aún si se encuentra en este país sin papeles, puede ser elegible para:

- "Welfare" (AFDC) y estampillas de comida para sus hijos nacidos aquí
- ayuda de emergencia por la helada
- ayuda médica, especialmente para niños y mujeres embarazadas, y para casos de emergencia
- suplementos de alimentación para mujeres embarazadas, que recién han tenido bebe, e infantes (WIC)

Para mayor información llame a la Fundación de Asistencia Legal Rural de California: 1/800-553-4503